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RESPONSE/
AMENDMENT

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Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action, mailed September 13, 2005, Applicant offers the following Amendment and requests reconsideration of the above-captioned application.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8

I hereby certify that this paper or fee (along with any paper or fee referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, PO Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on October 13, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

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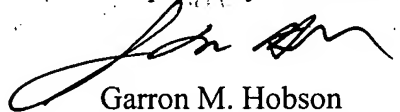
Election/Restriction Requirements:

In response to the election requirement, the Applicant elects species B of FIGs. 7 and 8. The claims considered readable thereon being generic claims 1-3, 15-17, 29-31, and 34-35; and claims 14, 28, and 36. Upon allowance of a generic claim, Applicant is entitled to consideration of claims to additional species.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee or to credit any overpayment in connection with this Amendment to Deposit Account No. 20-0100.

DATED this 13th day of October, 2005.

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